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INTERACTIONS IN LIVING CELLS

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REPLY TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

January 14, 2002

Sir:

In reply to the Restriction Requirement dated December 12, 2001, the following remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

The Examiner has required Restriction between the claims of Groups I-VIII. This requirement is respectfully traversed. Reconsideration and withdrawal thereof are requested.

The claims of Group I and Group II are both directed to a method of detecting protein-protein interaction. The only claim In-Group II (claim 7) is dependent upon claim 6 of Group I, so that, a full search of the subject matter of Group I should